(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) The measures for rationalisation, quality control and growth of drugs and pharmaceutical industry announced recently by the Government are aimed at increasing indigenous production of bulk drugs. Copies of the document detailing these measures are available in the Parliament Library.

653. [*Transferred to the 5th March, 1987*].

Survey relating to natural gas fields

654. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC has conducted any survey relating to the areas of natural gas fields in the country;

(b) if so, what are the areas surveyed by them with the estimated quantity of natural gas likely to be available; and

(c) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to use gas in the Power generating stations and if so, by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) Surveys are not conducted exclusively for exploration of natural gas. ONGC have conducted surveys for hydrocarbons in the following basins:—

1. Upper Assam
2. Cambay
3. Rajasthan
4. Cauvery
5. Krishna-Godavari
6. Tripura
7. Bombay Offshore and
8. Andaman.

As on 1st January, 1986 ONGC had 424 billion cubic meters of balance recoverable reserves of natural gas.

(c) Gas is already being supplied for power generation in Maharashtra and Assam. Gas is also proposed to be supplied to 3 power stations along HBJ pipeline at Anta (Rajasthan), Auriaya (UP) and Kawas (Gujarat). These plants are expected to come up by August, 1988.

Mobile Laboratory for testing petroleum products

655. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Oil Corporation has recently launched a mobile laboratory for testing petroleum products in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of the petrol pumps etc., on which IOC conducted raids during the last one month;

(c) what action has been taken against the petrol pumps in Delhi which were found selling adulterated petroleum products;

(d) whether Government propose to introduce such mobile laboratories in other cities also; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) A mobile laboratory for testing of petroleum products in the Northern Region has been fabricated and positioned